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In re the Application of: MIYAHARA, Hiroshi

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For:

DATA STRUCTURE OF FEATURE GUIDANCE INFORMATION, RECORDING MEDIUM STORING FEATURE GUIDANCE INFORMATION, NAVIGATION DEVICE, NAVIGATION SYSTEM, NAVIGATION METHOD, NAVIGATION PROGRAM AND RECORDING MEDIUM STORING THE NAVIGATION PROGRAM

## RESPONSE TO THE RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Date: March 27, 2006

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Official Action dated March 2, 2006.

In the Action, restriction is required among Group (I), Claims 1-26; Group (II), Claims 27-31; and Group (III), Claims 32-41. Also, the applicant is required to choose from one of the twelve (12) species set forth in the March 2, 2006 Action.

Applicant hereby elects the subject matter of Group (I), Claims 1-26, drawn to an apparatus (a data structure of a feature guidance information).

Also, the applicant elects species (5), the <u>fifth aspect</u> of the present invention (as recited in the specification, page 4, line 10). <u>Claims 7-10 and 12-15</u> read on this species (5), the fifth aspect of the applicant's invention.

This election is made without traverse, it being understood that the applicants' rights to the filing of a divisional application directed to the non-elected subject matter under 35 USC 120 and 35 USC 121 are retained.

In the event that this paper is not timely filed, applicants hereby petition for an appropriate extension of time. The fee for any such extension may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

In the event any additional fees are required in connection with this response, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

Respectfully submitted,

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